

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1948

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was called to order by the Mayor at 8:15 o'clock P.M. of Wednesday, August 18, 1948, Councilmen Bull, Haskell, Lytle, Tolliver and Rinn (Mayor) present, none absent.

Mr R. V. Potter and Mr Clarence Bovee, City Projects Engineer and Assistant District Engineer, respectively, of District 10, Division of Highways, being in attendance, Mayor Rinn invited both to seats at the Council table.

A letter from the City Planning Commission stating that this Commission had recommended against the proposed traffic channelization plan for State Highway 4 (Cherokee Lane) was read. Messrs Potter and Bovee spoke for adoption of the submitted plan involving a sixteen foot wide center strip with traffic separation islands, two twelve foot wide traffic lanes and eight foot parking lanes on either side of the traveled way, stating that this plan was in accordance with the best engineering practices and was in keeping with the designs approved by the Federal Public Roads Administration. Both of these engineers said that this was not the only plan that the Division of Highways would approve, it was submitted and recommended for Council adoption.

Mayor Rinn called attention to the need of adequate drainage on Cherokee Lane and asked that, in the consideration of other plans, that provisions be made to dispose of storm waters.

Several interested property owners and lessees along this road voiced opposition to the tentative plans, particularly as to its forcing through traffic nearer to the parking lanes, Ben Horton, owner of Lot 14, Block 49, Brier & Keenays Addition facing on the west side of Cherokee Lane, presented a petition signed by several persons owning or occupying properties along the proposed work and southerly therefrom, objecting to traffic channelization.

After discussion lasting for over two hours, it was moved by Councilman Bull, Lytle second, that the City Council concur with the recommendation of the City Planning Commission by the adoption of Resolution No. 1434, this resolution requesting the Division of Highways to amend its plans for Cherokee Lane so as to omit any channelization that would reduce the number of traffic lanes and directed the City Manager and the City Engineer to consult with the State Highway Engineers as to such alternate or substitute plans.

Motion carried and Resolution No. 1434 adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen, Bull, Lytle, Haskell, Tolliver and Rinn

NOES: Councilmen, None. ABSENT: None.

Mr Bovee then expressed the desire of his Department to cooperate with the City in every means possible and asked the confidence of the City Council in the sincere efforts of the Division of Highways to make the best possible acceptable plans for this work. Mr Potter and Mr Bovee then left the meeting.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER -

City Manager H. D. Weller than reported on matters pending and presented to him since the last Council meeting - recommending :

CONCESSION  
CONTRACT (1) That the City execute the contract agreement with Hires Bottling Company for Stadium and Ball park concessions awarded July 28th. Execution of this contract directed on motion of Councilman Bull, Haskell second.

GR. W. FESTI-  
VAL ADM. TAX (2) That the Council fix the rates of admission/<sup>tax</sup>to be charged this year to Lodi Grape and Wine Festival for paid admissions to events held in Lodi Stadium as is required in the contract with the Association. On motion of Councilman Haskell, Bull second, this rate was fixed at 10¢ on each paid admission.

PAYMENT TO  
LOVELESS (3) Presented Resolution No. 1433, directing the payment of \$1,186.67 to Jay Loveless in settlement of his claim for damages incurred by reason of operation of the Mokelumne River dump grounds. Resolution passed and

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**BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS** Mr. Weller submitted business license applications filed since the last regular meeting and the same were ordered referred to the Chief of Police in accordance with Ordinance No. 277. All business license applications presented August 4th having been approved by the Chief of Police, the same were ordered granted.

**PROPOSED BUSINESS LICENSE TAX** At this time Mr. Weller presented mimeographed copies of a proposed business license tax ordinance, furnishing copies to each Councilman for study and comment. This ordinance bases most of its charges on the number of employees with certain professions, occupations forms of business taxed at a specific rate.

**VARIANCES GRANTED HASKELL & ASAY** On report of the City Planning Commission, variances from the strict application of the provisions of Ordinance No. 238 were granted to W. A. Haskell, Lot 1, Crosby Park and Arthur Asay, No. 19 North California Street; motion Councilman Lytle, Tolliver second.

**ELECTRICAL SURVEY** Mr. Weller reported four proposals from engineering firms on the conducting of the contemplated survey of the City's electrical distribution system, stating that definite recommendations would be made later.

**ROMA WINE COMPANY AGREEMENT** A proposed agreement between the City and Roma Wine Company for pump site and rights of way was referred to the City manager and the City Attorney with power to have it entered into after their full approval. City Engineer Heckenlaible mentioned the fact that, in lieu of providing an expensive water meter, he had agreed with the Roma people for a flat charge of \$25.00 per year for stand-by service only, water used to be paid for on estimated use when seals are found broken.

**RES. 1435 CHEROKEE LANE SWEEPING ADOPTED** An agreement with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways for the maintenance of State Highway 4 (Cherokee Lane) particularly as to sweeping, was approved for execution by the adoption of Resolution No. 1435 introduced by Councilman Bull, Haskell second and passed by the following vote:  
AYES: Councilmen, Bull, Haskell, Lytle, Tolliver and Rinn.  
NCES: Councilmen, None. ABSENT: None.

**ORDINANCE 374 (TAX RATE) INTRODUCED** ORDINANCE NO. 374 - " AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION AND FIXING THE RATE OR RATES OF TAX THEREFORE NECESSARY TO CARRY ON THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF LODI FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1948 " was then introduced by Councilman Bull, Haskell second and by the same motion, ordered introduced and to lay over for the statutory period of not less than five days.

**CLAIM OF W.M. LYLES CO. ALLOWED (FINAL)** The claim of W. M. Lyles Company in the amount of \$995.15 as certified by the City Engineer in final payment for the contract for trenching and pipe laying from Well No 10 to Washington Street was allowed and ordered paid. Motion of Councilman Haskell, Lytle second.

On motion of Councilman Tolliver, the City Council then adjourned to 8:30 P.M. of Wednesday, August 26, 1948

Copies of above minutes furnished  
City Manager for each Councilman  
and representatives of News-Sentinel,  
Lodi Times and Stockton Record.

Attest  
*J. F. Blakely*  
J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk.